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# The Foggy Bottom News

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THE VOICE OF FOGGY BOTTOM

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*We Wish You A Merry Christmas*



*Merry  
Christmas*

For their contributions to the Festival of Arts the Foggy Bottom Association wishes to thank:

Mr. Timothy Carroll - African Art

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Chandler - movies

Mr. Lee Elsen, Riverview Realty - art gallery

Mrs. Susan Kappraff, Young Painters Gallery - poster design

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## FB ARTS FESTIVAL IS A LARGE SUCCESS

Nearly 400 residents of Foggy Bottom and other areas of the city were attracted to the various events of the Foggy Bottom Festival of the Arts on December 2, 3 and 4.

The Festival opened with a dance concert by the African Cultural Dancers and Drummers of Washington, a group of Americans who have given intensive study to Afro-Ethnic music and dance. Their fascinating program included two dances of welcome; a Watusi solo by the group's leader, Melvin Deal; a dance to placate the capricious god Legba (who punishes the disrespectful); and, as the climax of the evening, "Patakata", a challenge dance in which the dancers and drummers attempt to outperform each other. Performances by the drummers were interspersed with the dances.

At a reception afterwards, the audience was able to meet the performers and to view a small collection of African art objects.

Two art exhibitions were held during the Festival -- the Residents' Exhibition, in the Watergate shopping center, and an exhibit by the members of the Young Painters' Gallery. Artists who live in Foggy Bottom or neighboring areas contributed paintings, sculpture, photographs and mosaics to the showing at Watergate. The Young Painters exhibit presented by the Gallery especially for the Festival, featured the paintings of Monte Leake, Susan Kappraff, Karl Vermandois, Brian Sebastian and Terry Coffman, and pottery by Brumbaugh.

It was the Young Painters final exhibit before they move their Gallery to a new location (the News will give you details on the new Gallery in January).

A Saturday evening coffee house -- social event of the busy week-end -- presented Charlie Chaplin and W. C. Fields movies and, in the intervals between showings, entertainment by guitarist Carol Baker.

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Letters to the Editor:

FBA and GWU

November 23, 1966

The Editor  
Foggy Bottom News  
Washington, D. C.

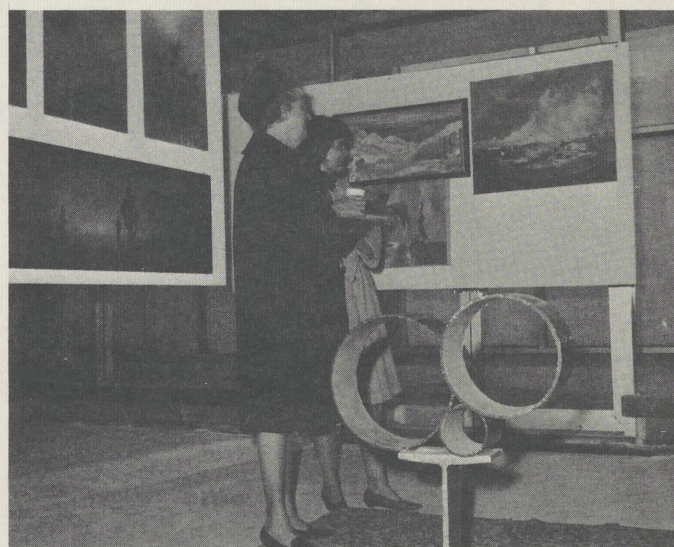
To The Editor:

With reference to Rev. Yeo's comments, reported this month in FB News, about working for good relations between FB residents and GWU and its students, I hope for the best. "Town-Gown" problems are likely to increase now that such a high proportion of students are full-time residents in this part of town. But an attempt to move into a harmonious relation may give happier results.

It might be useful to find who lives in Foggy Bottom among Alumni, students, Staff and Faculty, to serve as liaison persons between the academic grove and the community. For those people, there should be a double interest in working for harmony. The easiest way to find out who such people are would be to ask them to contact officers of the Association. (I am doing so.)

Yours truly,  
Gerald V. Carroll  
Professor, Geology

For the Association's reply to Prof. Carroll's letter, see Page 6.



Arts Festival organizer Sara Case (right) guides a visitor through the highly successful Local Artists Exhibition, held on December 3 and 4 at the Watergate.



## PROFILE: MARION RICE HART



"The first time I flew my airplane across the Atlantic I didn't tell anyone about it. Somebody would have made a fuss....."

This is Mrs. Marion Rice Hart, 74, a resident of Potomac Plaza in Foggy Bottom. Much fuss has been made over Mrs. Hart in recent years, and stories about her transatlantic flights, and her recent round the world trip, have appeared in the newspapers of almost every nation in which her single-engine plane has landed.

"Actually my older sister was a pilot before me," Mrs. Hart explains. "She learned to fly back in 1916. Then, when she got married and her husband didn't like it, she gave it up."

Mrs. Hart herself has no such intention, she says; she likes to fly too much. Commercial flying, however, is not to her taste -- too bland. "I did have one interesting commercial flight though," she muses. "It was on one of those twin-engine planes, the Convairs. We took off and the plane was banking when I looked out the window and saw that the propeller on my side had stopped. I leaned across the aisle to where the stewardess was sitting, and I said to her, 'Fasten your seat belt, please. We've just lost an engine.'"

Flying is only the most recent of Mrs. Hart's serious avocations (which she refuses to call "careers"). She has been a sculptress, a skilled and sensitive photographer, and -- as we might expect -- something of an authoress. This last activity she tends to depreciate. "I wrote a couple of books about my travels, but the only one that ever made

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## ST. STEPHEN'S CENTENNIAL BEGINS

A Pontifical High Mass, celebrated by Bishop John S. Spence, Auxiliary Bishop of Washington, will formally open the Centennial of St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Church on Sunday, January 15 at 5 p.m. The combined choirs of St. Stephen's and St. Pius X of Bowie, Md. will sing. A reception, in the church hall, will follow the Mass.

During the first half of 1967 three FB churches will be celebrating their 100th anniversaries concurrently. St. Paul's and St. Mary's Episcopal Churches and St. Stephen's are planning a series of joint activities for that period. Details of those, and other events scheduled for the St. Stephen's Centennial will appear in future issues of the News.

"URBANIZATION": Public discussion group at Concordia Church, 20th and G St., N.W., on Jan. 22 at 7 p.m.

No meeting this month because of the Holidays, but the January 30 Meeting will be an important one -- the proposed new Association By-Laws will be voted upon then. Copies of the old and new By-Laws will be mailed to members, and the News will reprint the proposed changes in the January issue.



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any money for me was one called 'How to Navigate Today'. It's about sailing; I wrote it in 1939, just after I returned from sailing around the world. It was the publisher's idea to put down the author's name as 'M. R. Hart'. A lot of people probably wouldn't put any faith in a book like that if they knew it was written by a woman. I know I wouldn't. I still get a hundred dollars in royalties on the book every once in a while....."

Mrs. Hart was born in London. "My parents brought me to this country when I was about two months old. During the Second World War I wanted to go back to England," she says wistfully. "I wanted to be there in the war; I've never seen one. Oh, I've been in Cuba during a couple of revolutions, but they didn't amount to anything."

Evidently she acquired a taste for revolutions, for as a Washington resident Mrs. Hart has participated in the favorite local form of revolutionary activity. "When I moved to Washington I was very annoyed by the fact that I couldn't vote," she says. "I thought, wasn't that unconstitutional or something? So I got out my World Almanac and read the Constitution, and then I went around to the Civil Liberties Union and asked them about the possibility of bringing suit in Federal Court -- a suit to obtain an injunction that would allow us to vote. Well, they were interested; in fact, they had done some

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FBA AND THIRD PRECINCT  
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"What can you, as a citizen, do to protect yourself against crime?" That is the subject of the pamphlet which is to be prepared by the Police subcommittee of the District Affairs Committee, in cooperation with Captain Bishop of the Third Precinct. If you would like to help with the editorial work or the layout of the pamphlet, Linda Terry is the person to contact - 950 25th St., N.W.

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For purposes of identification, we are supplying this picture (taken at a recent Executive Board Meeting) of the four FBA officers, who otherwise might pass unnoticed in the very street. Awkwardly pretending to consider a copy of the By-laws to be voted upon at the January meeting, they are: Reverend F. Everett Abbott, Vice-President; Elizabeth Davis, Treasurer; Ellie Becker, Secretary; and Alling Brown, President.

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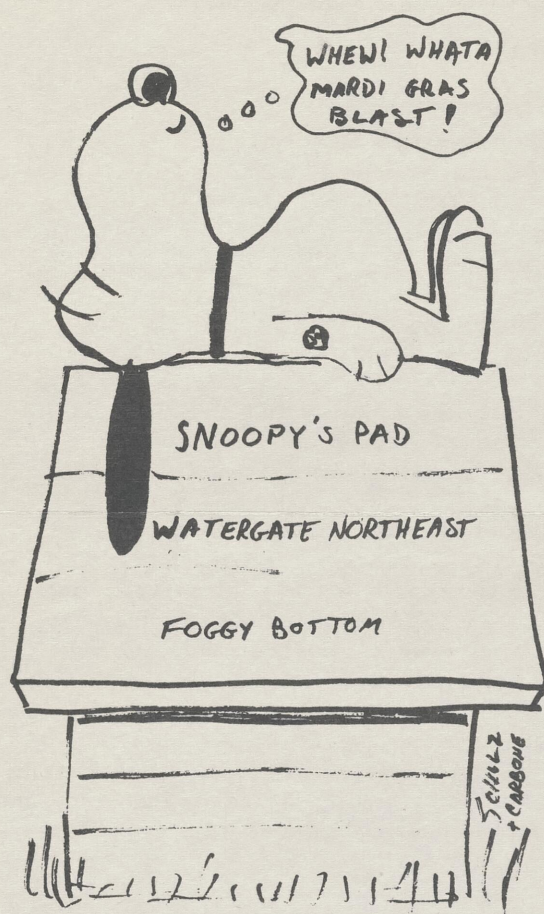
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### THE FBA SWINGS AGAIN WITH JANUARY MARDI GRAS DANCE

The Mardi Gras Dance in Foggy Bottom is becoming a tradition: spurred by the overwhelming success of last year's happening, the Foggy Bottom Association will sponsor the third annual Mardi Gras Dance next month.

The Date: Saturday, January 28, 1967

The Place: St. Stephen's Hall, 25th Street  
Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

The Time: Starting at eight-"thirtyish"

Brush up now on your Monkey, Frug, Slop, Polka, Waltz and Two Step -- music will be provided from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. by "The Cougars", led by drummer Mike Easter.

The Mardi Gras committee encourages you to wear costumes (in the interest of fun!) but they are optional.

Admission -- \$2.50 -- includes FREE beer (all you can drink) and other light refreshments. All Foggy Bottom residents and their friends are welcome. For further information contact Jerry Oaks, 337-7059.

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research along these lines themselves. But at that time everybody was saying 'Oh, don't rock the boat -- there's a Home Rule bill in Congress right now and we should concentrate on that'. Then last year they said that Home Rule bill was sure to pass that Congress. Of course it didn't. Now I see that they've finally brought the suit."

"I used to live in New York," Mrs. Hart says with a frown, "but I got tired of it -- it's too dirty. When I moved down to Washington everything was very clean. I could leave my plane outside at the airport for weeks on end and there wouldn't be a spot of dirt on it. But now it gets dirty here, too. Just like New York."

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- Dec. 30-31 The Beatles in "A Hard Day's Night" and  
Charlie Chaplin in "Tillie's Punctured Romance"  
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- Jan. 1-2 The Beatles in "Help" and the Marx Brothers  
in "A Day at the Races"  
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(See local newspapers for additions to this list.)





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## FBA REPLY TO PROFESSOR CARROLL

November 30, 1966

Professor Gerald V. Carroll  
2510 Virginia Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Professor Carroll:

Your letter of November 23 to the Editor of the FB News has been passed along to me for reply.

It is gratifying to know that the News is fulfilling its function as a forum as well as a vehicle for improving communications among its readers.

The Association was extremely fortunate in having Rev. Yeo as a speaker, and the fact that you have taken the trouble to write a letter is a constructive result of Rev. Yeo's constructive beginning -- the second step toward good relations between Foggy Bottom and the University.

Pursuant to your suggestion, our Membership Committee is going to apprise itself of GW alumni, students, staff and faculty living in the area, and arrange for a meeting of those who are interested as soon as possible.

We invite you and other like-minded people associated with the University to continue to make your views known to us, and once again we sincerely appreciate your letter.

Sincerely yours,

Alling C. Brown  
President, FBA

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Douglas Forbes, young Washington organist, closed the Festival on Sunday evening with a recital of works by Bach, Brahms, Handel, Bustehude, Pachelbel, and Strayer.

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